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Know then, O Prince, that the Warrior Queen Sonja led Hyrkania in their war for survival. Scorching the Earth as they fought, she led her people into lands both strange and deadly. She and her people fled, seeking allies, respite, and a single opportunity from the gods of war with which to strike at the heart of the Zamoran invader.

Know also that Queen Sonja had lost the last of her remaining family at the hand of the Zamoran Emperor, Dragan the Magnificent. For many days did she and Dragan circle each other as vipers in a pit, each vowing victory and demanding blood. But wars are not fought by kings, O Prince, and the brave often die at the folly of the gods and victories are rarely won the way we sing of them.

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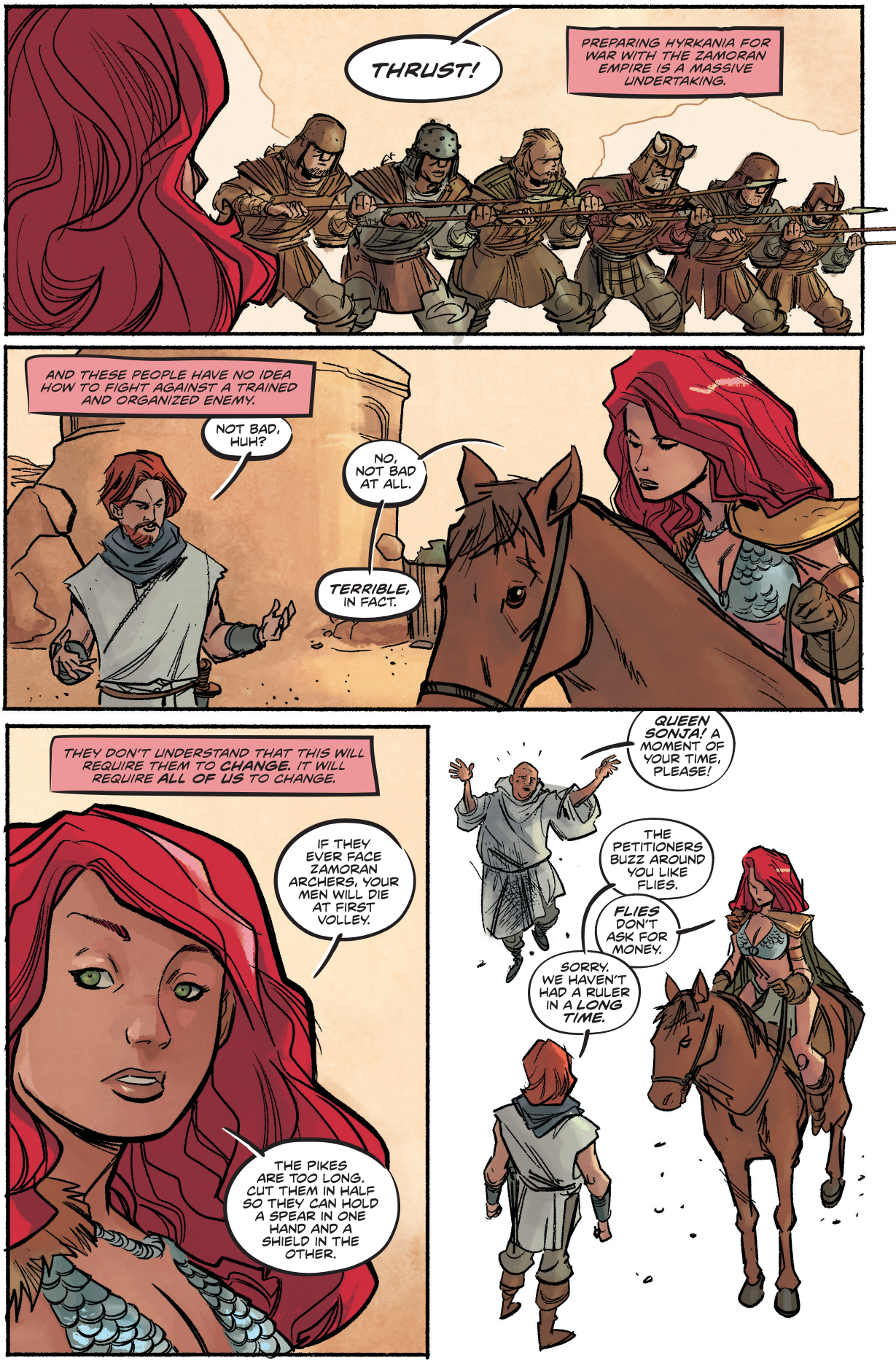
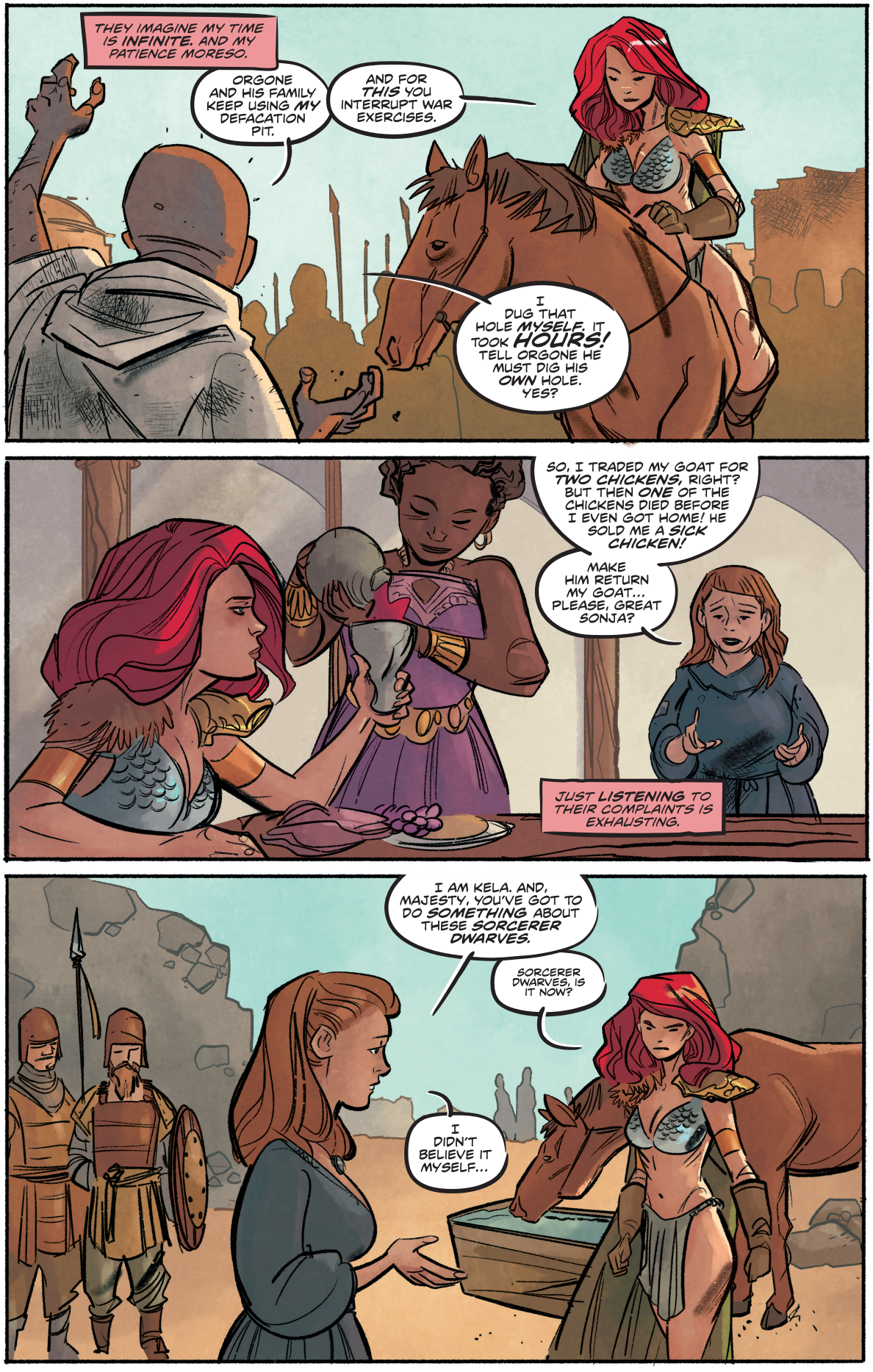
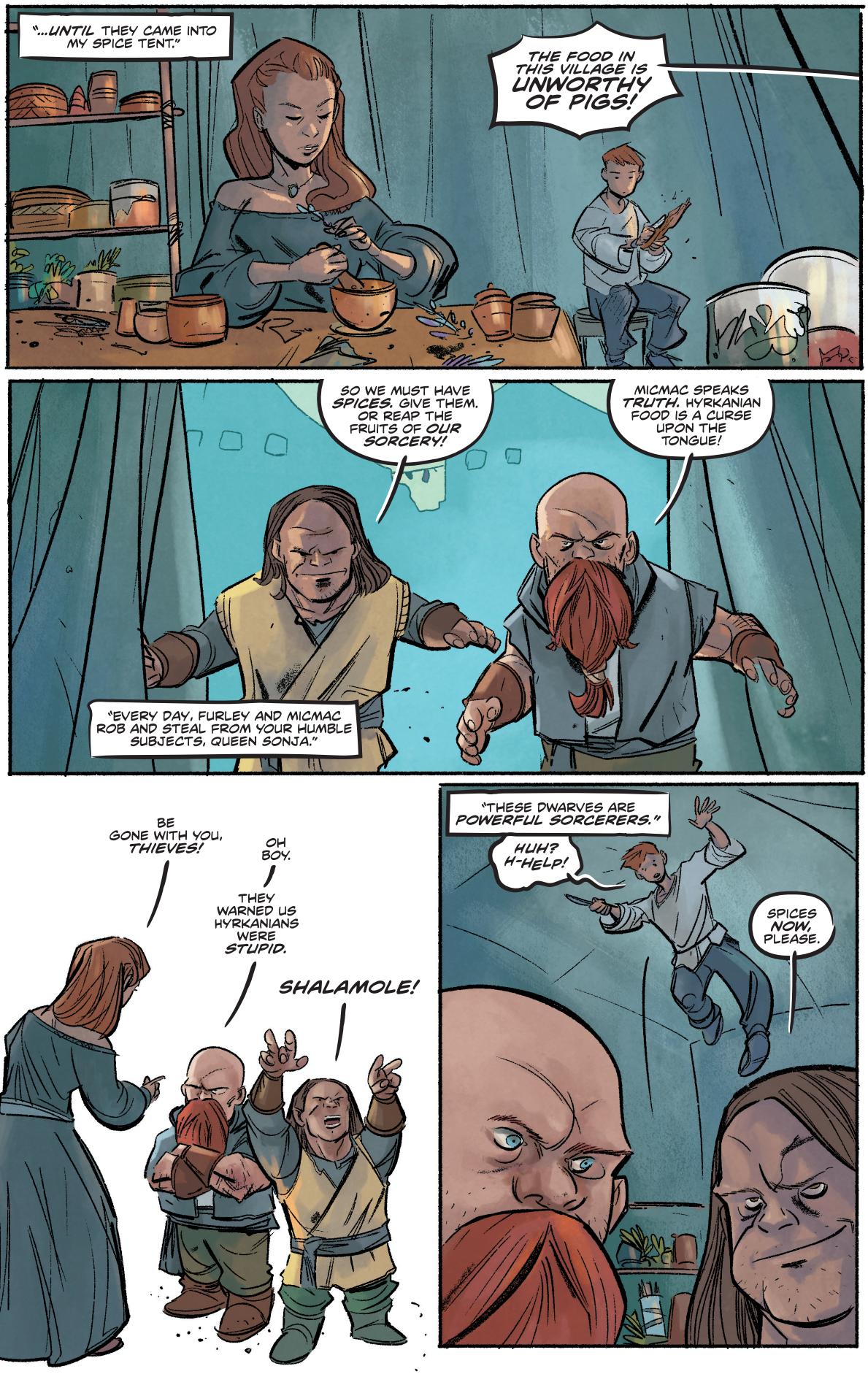
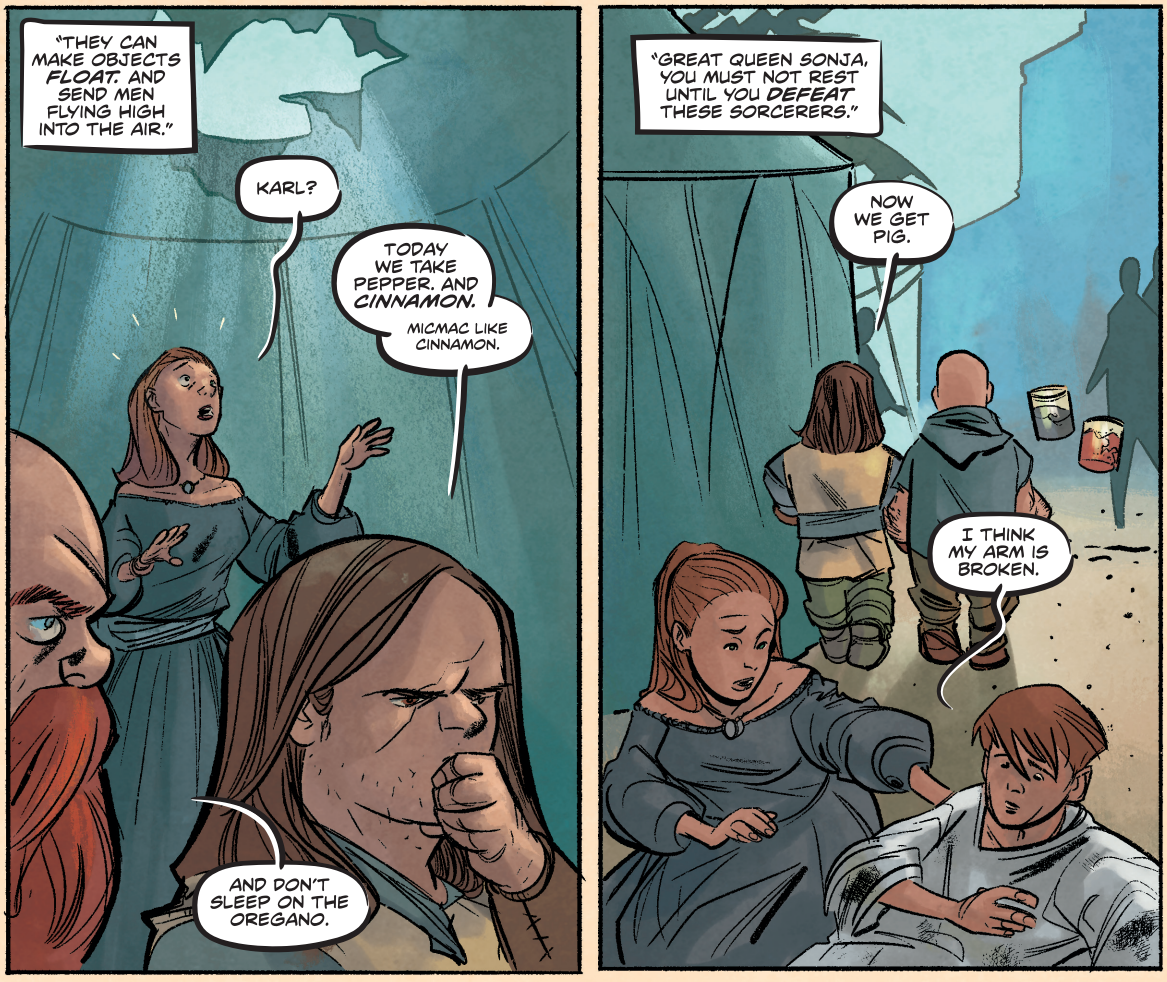
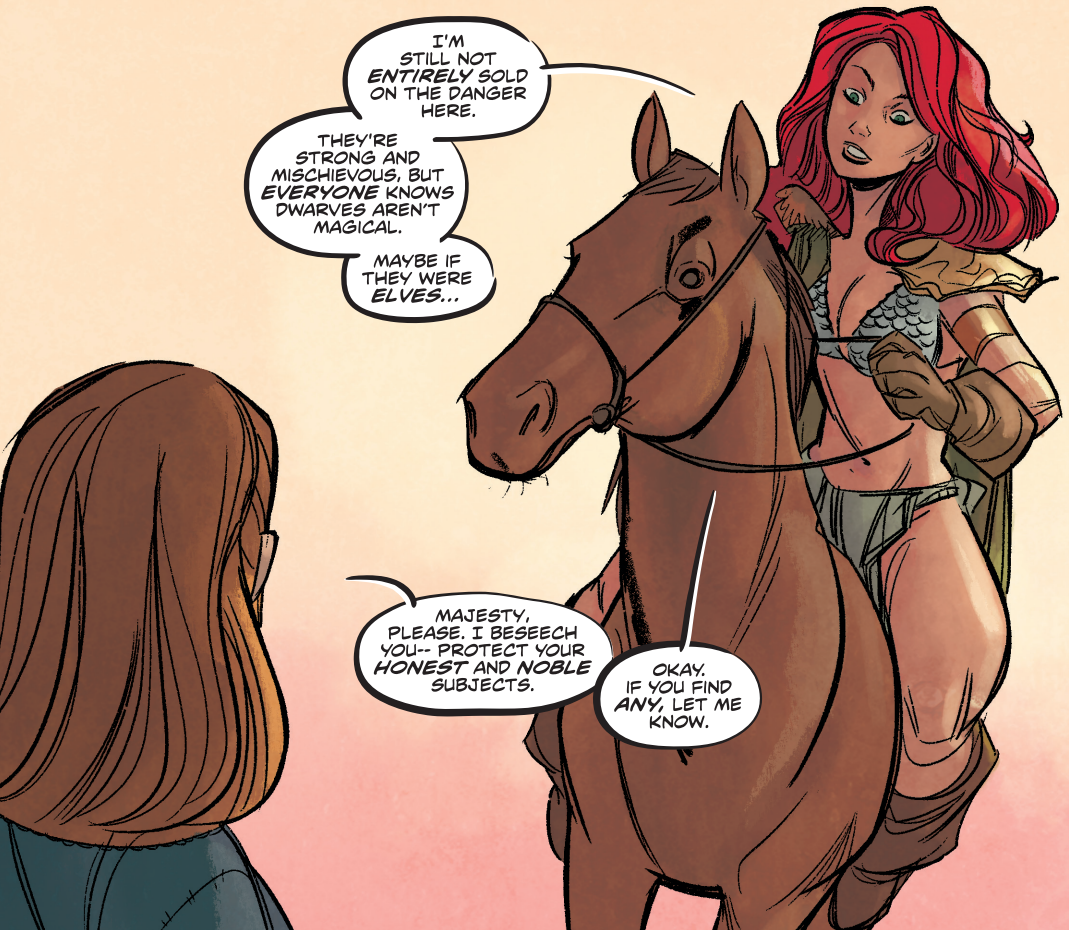

THRUST!
PREPARING HYRKANIA FOR WAR WITH THE ZAMORAN EMPIRE IS A MASSIVE UNDERTAKING.
AND THESE PEOPLE HAVE NO IDEA HOW TO FIGHT AGAINST A TRAINED AND ORGANIZED ENEMY.
NOT BAD, HUH?
NO, NOT BAD AT ALL.
TERRIBLE, IN FACT.
THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT THIS WILL REQUIRE THEM TO CHANGE. IT WILL REQUIRE ALL OF US TO CHANGE.
IF THEY EVER FACE ZAMORAN ARCHERS, YOUR MEN WILL DIE AT FIRST VOLLEY.
THE PIKES ARE TOO LONG. CUT THEM IN HALF SO THEY CAN HOLD A SPEAR IN ONE HAND AND A SHIELD IN THE OTHER.
QUEEN SONJA! A MOMENT OF YOUR TIME, PLEASE!
THE PETITIONERS BUZZ AROUND YOU LIKE FLIES.
FLIES DON'T ASK FOR MONEY.
SORRY. WE HAVEN'T HAD A RULER IN A LONG TIME.


THEY IMAGINE MY TIME IS INFINITE. AND MY PATIENCE MORESO.
ORGONE AND HIS FAMILY KEEP USING MY DEFACATION PIT.
AND FOR THIS YOU INTERRUPT WAR EXERCISES.
I DUG THAT HOLE MYSELF. IT TOOK HOURS! TELL ORGONE HE MUST DIG HIS OWN HOLE. YES?
SO, I TRADED MY GOAT FOR TWO CHICKENS, RIGHT? BUT THEN ONE OF THE CHICKENS DIED BEFORE I EVEN GOT HOME! HE SOLD ME A SICK CHICKEN!
MAKE HIM RETURN MY GOAT... PLEASE, GREAT SONJA?
JUST LISTENING TO THEIR COMPLAINTS IS EXHAUSTING.
I AM KELA. AND, MAJESTY, YOU'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THESE SORCERER DWARVES.
SORCERER DWARVES, IS IT NOW?
I DIDN'T BELIEVE IT MYSELF...

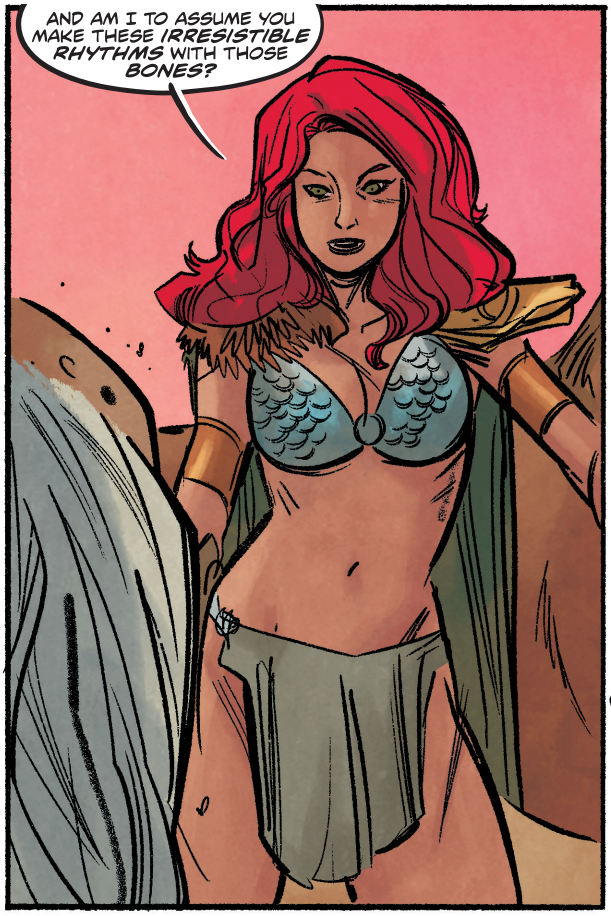

"...UNTIL THEY CAME INTO MY SPICE TENT."
THE FOOD IN THIS VILLAGE IS UNWORTHY OF PIGS!
SO WE MUST HAVE SPICES. GIVE THEM. OR REAP THE FRUITS OF OUR SORCERY!
MICMAC SPEAKS TRUTH. HYRKANIAN FOOD IS A CURSE UPON THE TONGUE!
"EVERY DAY, FURLEY AND MICMAC ROB AND STEAL FROM YOUR HUMBLE SUBJECTS, QUEEN SONJA."
BE GONE WITH YOU, THIEVES!
OH BOY.
THEY WARNED US HYRKANIANS WERE STUPID.
SHALAMOLE!
"THESE DWARVES ARE POWERFUL SORCERERS."
HUH? H-HELP!
SPICES NOW, PLEASE.


"THEY CAN MAKE OBJECTS FLOAT. AND SEND MEN FLYING HIGH INTO THE AIR."
KARL?
TODAY WE TAKE PEPPER. AND CINNAMON.
MICMAC LIKE CINNAMON.
AND DON'T SLEEP ON THE OREGANO.
"GREAT QUEEN SONJA, YOU MUST NOT REST UNTIL YOU DEFEAT THESE SORCERERS."
NOW WE GET PIG.
I THINK MY ARM IS BROKEN.


I'M STILL NOT ENTIRELY SOLD ON THE DANGER HERE.
THEY'RE STRONG AND MISCHIEVOUS, BUT EVERYONE KNOWS DWARVES AREN'T MAGICAL.
MAYBE IF THEY WERE ELVES...
MAJESTY, PLEASE. I BESEECH YOU-- PROTECT YOUR HONEST AND NOBLE SUBJECTS.
OKAY. IF YOU FIND ANY, LET ME KNOW.

WE NEED TO INSPECT THE SUPPLY WAGONS FIRST THING TOMORROW. I NEED AN ACCURATE COUNT OF HOW MANY ARE IN WORKING CONDITION.
SUPPLY *WAGONS?* WE BARELY HAVE *SUPPLIES.*
THEN START *BUILDING* THEM. WE NEED MOBILITY.

OH, WHAT NOW?
QUEEN SONJA! I AM A GREAT MUSICIAN!
HIRE ME AND I SHALL FILL YOUR PALACE WITH IRRESISTIBLE RHYTHMS.


AND AM I TO ASSUME YOU MAKE THESE *IRRESISTIBLE RHYTHMS* WITH THOSE *BONES?*

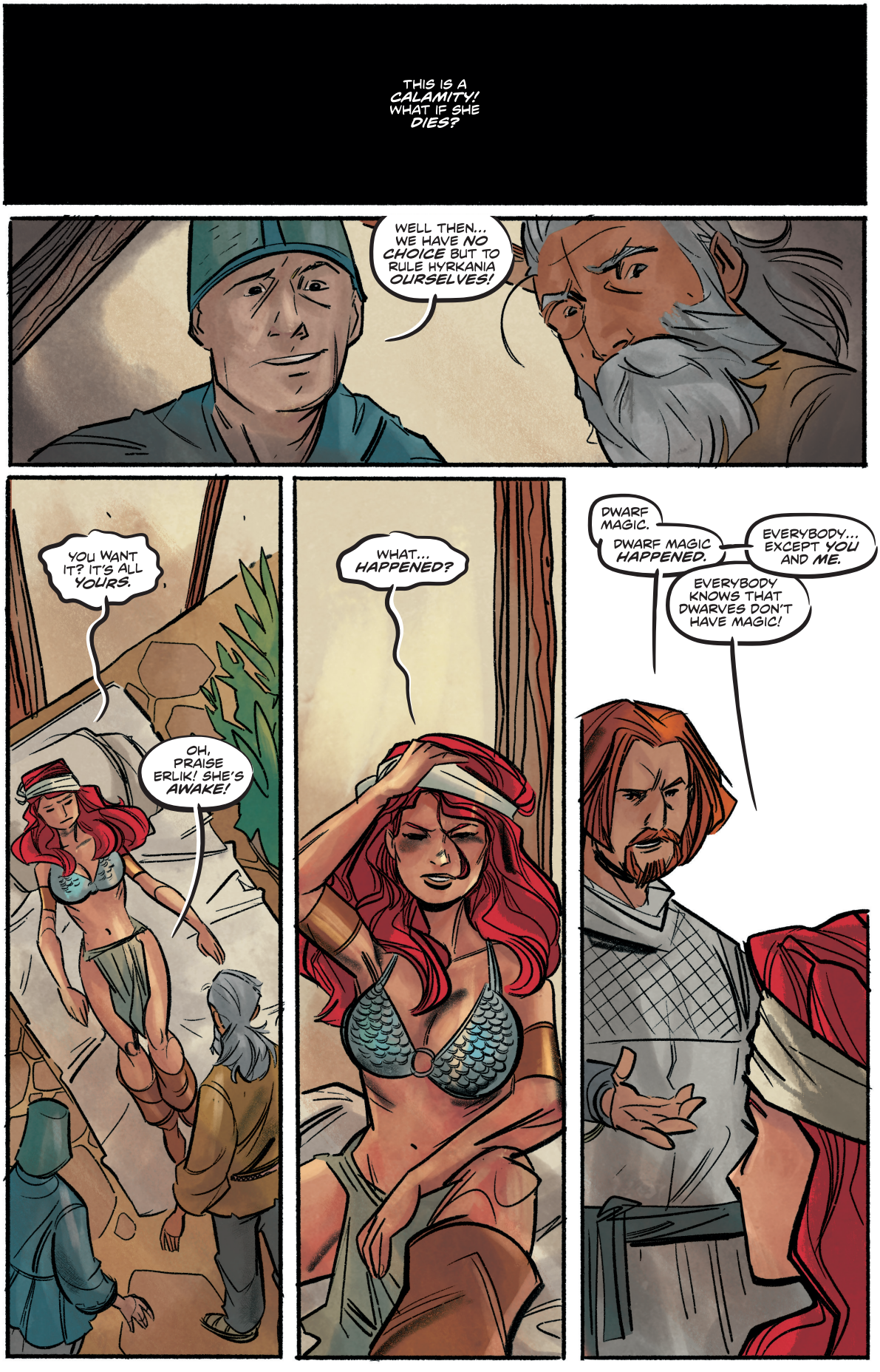
MY QUEEN, THE MUSCULAR BUT SENSUOUS TONES PRODUCED BY THESE BONES AND SKIN PAIRING ARE *UNIQUE* IN THEIR BEAUTY.
MANY GOATS MATE TO THE SOUND OF MY MUSIC.
IF I MAY...
THE SORCERERS APPROACH!
BUD DUM
MEHEHE
BUD DUM
MEHHH

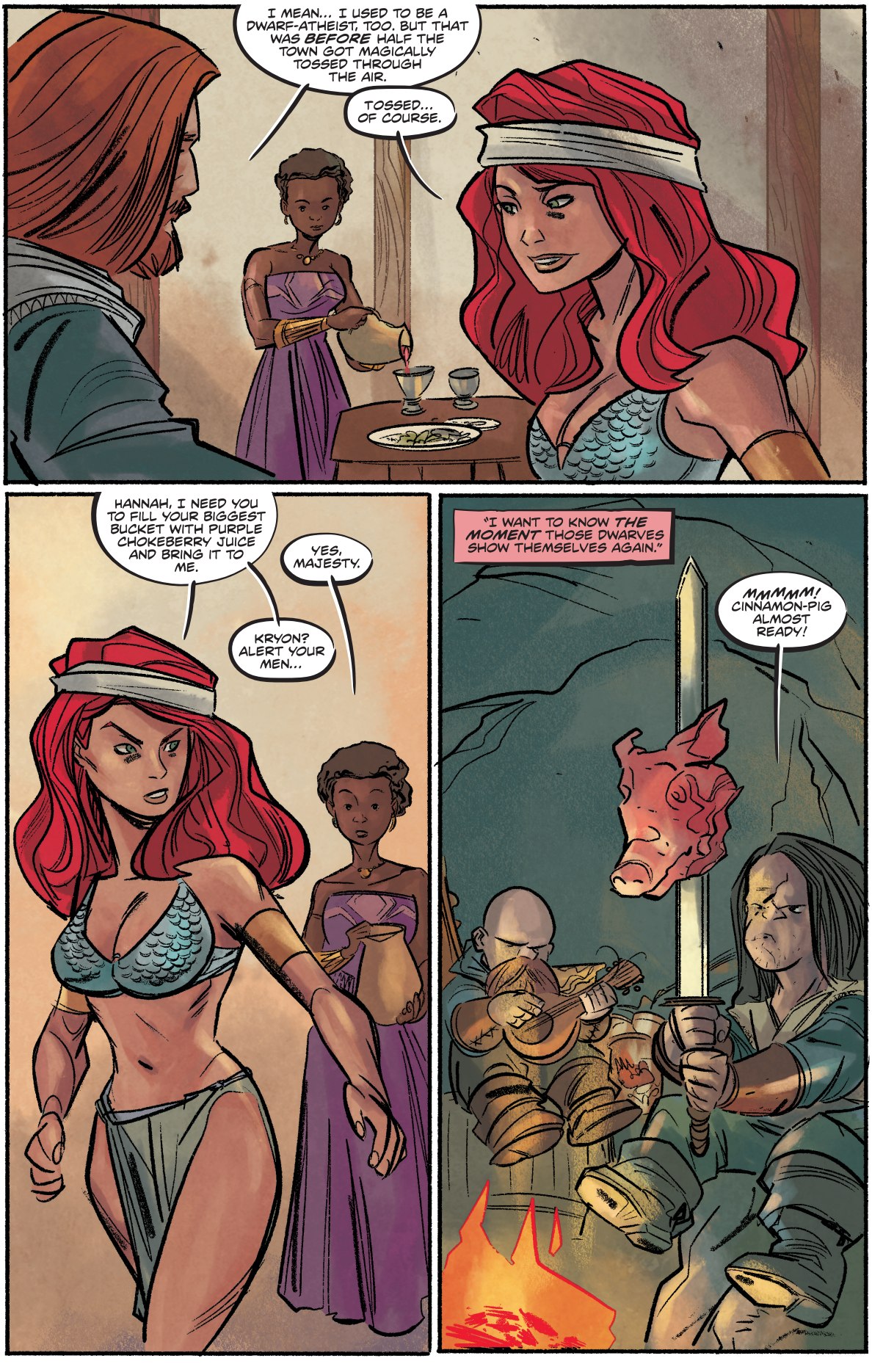
LOOK, MICMAC. THE NEW QUEEN! SHE HAS RED HAIR JUST LIKE ME!
AND THE ONLY DECENT SWORD IN HYRKANIA.
BUDUMBA DUMBA
GIVE US SWORD, WOMAN! OR BEHOLD THE WIZARDRY OF MICMAC!
IS EVERYONE HERE DELUSIONAL?
GIVE US YOUR SWORD. NOW.
OH, I'M INCLINED TO.
SHALAMOLE!
VERY WELL. YOU WERE WARNED.
DUMBA DUMBA

ZOM--
ZOM--
ZOM!
ENOUGH!
WE'VE GOT A BUSY DAY. LET'S GET THIS OVER QUICKLY.
DUM BUM BUM DUMBA DUMBA DUMBA BUMBUM
MEEHRR
MEH-HEHEHEHE
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
PUT HIM DOWN!
BUDDUMDABU

CAN WE DO THAT, MICMAC?
FOR THE RED QUEEN... ANYTHING!
OUR MAGIC IS STRONG!
SURELY, WE ARE BAD-ASS, NO?
NOW GIVE US SWORD.
WUUMP
COME AND GET IT, DWARF!
AS YOU WISH...
EXPLAIN YOURSELVES. EVERYONE KNOWS DWARVES DON'T HAVE MAGIC.
SO HOW DID YOU--
BUM DUM BUM

THWACK
NEW SWORD FOR MICMAC!
YOU CAN STOP RUTTING.
AUDITION'S BLOWN.
BAH!

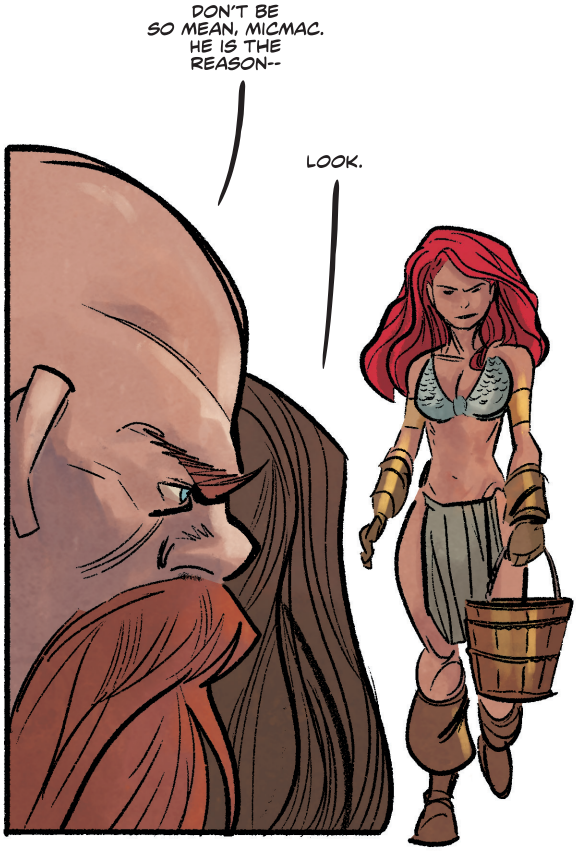

THIS IS A CALAMITY! WHAT IF SHE DIES?
WELL THEN... WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO RULE HYRKANIA OURSELVES!
YOU WANT IT? IT'S ALL YOURS.
OH, PRAISE ERLIK! SHE'S AWAKE!
WHAT... HAPPENED?
DWARF MAGIC.
DWARF MAGIC HAPPENED.
EVERYBODY... EXCEPT YOU AND ME.
EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT DWARVES DON'T HAVE MAGIC!


I MEAN... I USED TO BE A DWARF-ATHEIST, TOO. BUT THAT WAS *BEFORE* HALF THE TOWN GOT MAGICALLY TOSSED THROUGH THE AIR.
TOSSED... OF COURSE.
HANNAH, I NEED YOU TO FILL YOUR BIGGEST BUCKET WITH PURPLE CHOKEBERRY JUICE AND BRING IT TO ME.
YES, MAJESTY.
KRYON? ALERT YOUR MEN...
"I WANT TO KNOW *THE MOMENT* THOSE DWARVES SHOW THEMSELVES AGAIN."
MMMMM! CINNAMON-PIG ALMOST READY!

I'M STARTING TO LIKE HYRKANIA.

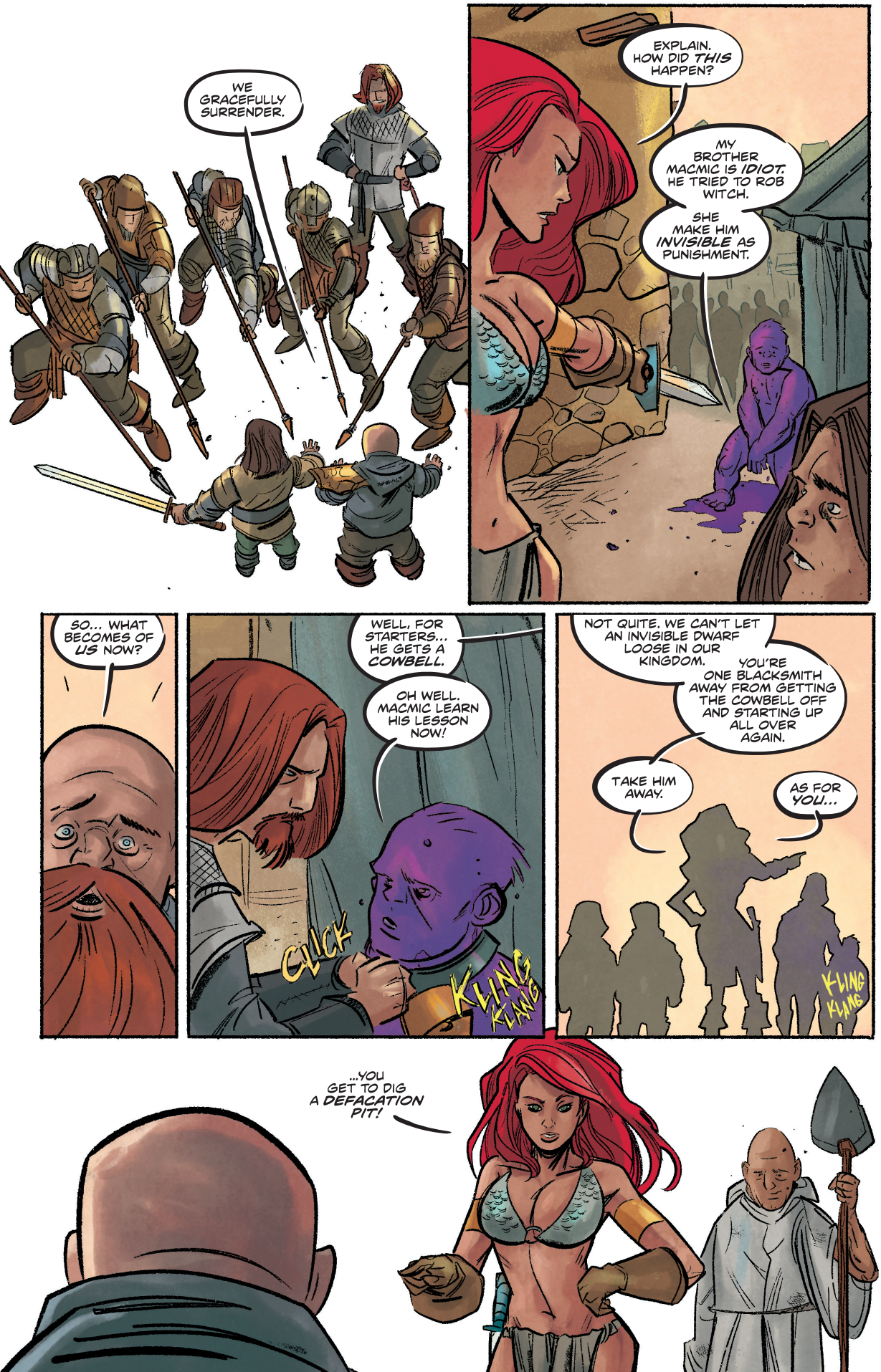
IS OKAY IF WE HAVE FOR FREE, YES?
YES! TAKE WHATEVER YOU WANT!
GOOD. MICMAC IS PLEASED.

LIFE IS GOOD, NO?
I AM COLD.
NO ONE CARES.
CHOMP


DON'T BE SO MEAN, MICMAC. HE IS THE REASON--
LOOK.

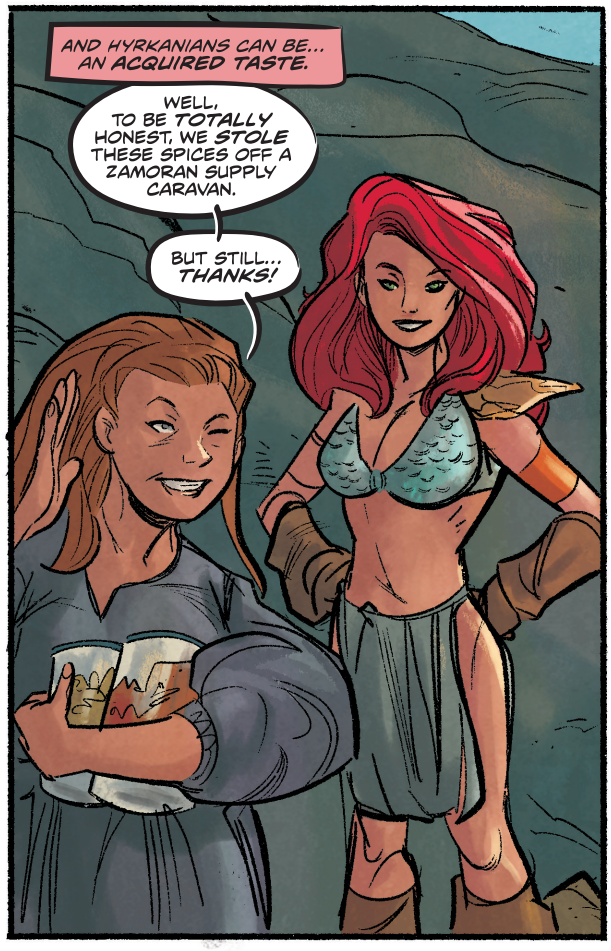
WHAT? ARE YOU DAY-LABORER NOW?
SURRENDER AND RETURN WHAT YOU HAVE STOLEN.
THIS IS YOUR ONE CHANCE.
I THINK THE QUEEN NEEDS ANOTHER DISPLAY OF OUR DWARF MAGIC...
SOME PEOPLE ARE JUST SLOWER THAN OTHERS, YES?
ZOM-- ZOM-- ZOM!
SHALAMOLE!
YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN THINKING...

MORMA-DOOM!
ZOM--ZOM--ZOM!
FOR SUCH POWERFUL SORCERERS, YOU HAVE A PRETTY LIMITED REPERTOIRE...
...IT'S ALMOST AS IF YOU ONLY HAVE ONE TRICK.
OR ONE ACCOMPLICE!
MOVE AND I'LL DRIVE YOU LIKE A TENT-PEG!
DAMN IT.
DON'T! DON'T HURT HIM! HE'S MY BROTHER!
UH... I'M OUT OF HERE.
SPEARS!


WE GRACEFULLY SURRENDER.
EXPLAIN. HOW DID *THIS* HAPPEN?
MY BROTHER MACMIC IS *IDIOT.* HE TRIED TO ROB WITCH.
SHE MAKE HIM *INVISIBLE* AS PUNISHMENT.
SO... WHAT BECOMES OF *US* NOW?
WELL, FOR STARTERS... HE GETS A *COWBELL.*
OH WELL. MACMIC LEARN HIS LESSON NOW!
CLICK
KLING KLANG
NOT QUITE. WE CAN'T LET AN INVISIBLE DWARF LOOSE IN OUR KINGDOM.
YOU'RE ONE BLACKSMITH AWAY FROM GETTING THE COWBELL OFF AND STARTING UP ALL OVER AGAIN.
TAKE HIM AWAY.
AS FOR YOU...
KLING KLANG
...YOU GET TO DIG A *DEFACATION PIT!*

"AND YOU, MICMAC? YOU HAVE TO RETURN EVERYTHING YOU STOLE."
HEY! MICMAC DIDN'T STEAL THAT GOAT. WE BOUGHT IT!
DON'T CARE.

AS QUEEN, PEOPLE OFTEN ACT AS IF I MYSELF A MAGICAL BEING. AS IF I CAN SOLVE ALL THEIR PROBLEMS.
THANK YOU, MAJESTY.
I'M SORRY I DOUBTED YOU, KELA. APPARENTLY, I DO HAVE SOME HONEST SUBJECTS AFTER ALL.


AND HYRKANIANS CAN BE... AN ACQUIRED TASTE.
WELL, TO BE TOTALLY HONEST, WE STOLE THESE SPICES OFF A ZAMORAN SUPPLY CARAVAN.
BUT STILL... THANKS!

BUT THEY ARE A TASTE WELL WORTH ACQUIRING.
MY QUEEN! I HAVE A NEW BONE.
WOULD YOU CARE FOR SOME SUBTLY DELICIOUS RHYTHMS?
NOT NOW.
AND, FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE, THEY ARE MY PEOPLE.
The End.

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